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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Y. NAKAYA, et al

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Group: 2613

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL - EXPEDITED  
PROCEDURE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 1, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims**

**Remarks** are included following the amendments.